

COMMENT OF  
THE DAY

Real Object Of  
The 5-Year Plan

RUSSIA'S new Five Year Plan is significant not merely because of its seemingly fabulous production targets, but because it provides a blueprint of Soviet policy.

It is clear there is to be no easing off of the concentration on development of "heavy industry" which has been a salient feature of every Five Year Plan since the first. It is true there is a promise—made regularly—of a coming increase in the supply of consumer goods. Provision is also made for a great upsurge in agricultural production. The output of collective farms is to be increased by 100 per cent—a target which requires realisation if Khrushchev's fears about the inadequacy of Soviet food supplies are to be allayed.

Nevertheless, the emphasis is still on the development of heavy industry, illustrated by the declaration that "the planned growth of Socialist production ensures an increase of approximately 60 per cent in the national income during the five year period; the real wages of factory and office workers will go up by about 30 per cent on the average."

THE gap between 60 per cent and 30 per cent is almost exactly the same as for the last five year period—a surplus that is being taken away from the producers. Part of it represents the incomes of the members of the vast "state apparatus" which has taken the place of the old "capitalist exploiters." Part represents the determination of the Soviet regime to go on increasing production for its own sake, at the expense of the producers.

This determination is motivated by the desire to overtake and surpass the most economically developed capitalist countries as regards output per head of population. According to Marxist theory it should have happened long since. The fact that it has not happened makes the Communist leaders no less determined, at whatever cost to the workers, to bring it to pass. So far as the Kremlin is concerned the workers must produce more per head so that Marx shall be justified.

BUT to the non-Communist world there is another, and even more important reason for this insistence by the Soviet rulers that the State should accumulate, at the expense of the living standards of the people, vast economic reserves. They are required for export in various forms—for sale, for investment and for economic aid.

The Soviet rulers have made clear they are convinced that the surest basis for the extension of political domination is the export of "capital" to underdeveloped countries. Empires, in the Marxist analysis, are based rather on economic penetration than on military force—though military force may be always in the background for use, when needed.

Soviet imperialism, designed to replace the old "capitalist" imperialism, requires not only a military potential, but an economic potential. It is this imperialist economic potential which is to be created, and placed at the disposal of the Soviet rulers. That is why only half of the planned rate of increase in Soviet production is to go to the Russian workers. And that is the real significance of the new Five Year Plan.

# FEARS OF U.S.-CHINA CRISIS

## Sequel To Geneva Deadlock

Washington, Jan. 23. The United States is preparing for the possibility of a new series of crises with Communist China over Formosa.

Well-informed sources today were gloomy in their assessment of the chances of reaching peaceful settlements with the Chinese during the current ambassadorial negotiations in Geneva.

They expressed their deep concern that the new deadlock arising from Peking's refusal to include the Nationalists' island stronghold in a proposed declaration renouncing force might be followed by new diplomatic and propaganda offensives against the United States linked with increased military "misadventure" activity in the Formosa Strait.

### BUT NO ATTACK

The danger of a worsening of Sino-American relations was real, although the Communists were not expected to launch a full-scale Formosa attack in the immediate future as this would automatically bring the full power of United States naval and air forces in the area to the defence of the Nationalists. But at least three courses of action were possible if the Communists decided to increase their pressure for a reversal of the United States position at the Geneva talks, according to usually reliable sources.

★ Refusal to release United States civilians detained in China despite an agreement that all desiring repatriation should be permitted to leave. This would enable the Communists to put the United States in the position of "sacrificing" its citizens by rejecting a "no force" pledge which the Peking regime was trying to convince the world, particularly Asia, was a reasonable offer.

★ Renewed anti-American diplomatic and propaganda campaign which would signal a return to the bitter days of the Far East cold war.

★ Renewed or intensified military activity in the Formosa area, including heavier artillery raids and the deployment of mainland forces threatening an imminent invasion of Formosa or the neighbouring Pescadore. Intelligence reports reaching Washington already have indicated heavy military construction on the mainland, the extension southward of the Communists' coastal airfield system and the re-grouping of Communist armies facing Formosa itself.

The State Department's statement on Saturday reviewing the history of Sino-American relations since the Geneva talks opened last August clearly put the Communists on notice that the United States was not prepared to submit to the threat of war or abandon its protection of Formosa as the price for agreement with Peking.

### 'WASTING BREATH'

Neither was the State Department prepared to consider the Communists' demands for a Foreign Ministers' meeting and an end to the trade embargo against the mainland until its civilians were released and the security of Formosa guaranteed. Officials said that Peking was wasting its breath in making these demands.

They also pointed to warnings by President Eisenhower and Mr. John Foster Dulles, the Secretary of State, that the Communists would have to come over the Seventh Fleet in the Formosa Strait if they decided to test the issue by force.—Reuter.

## Four Killed In Explosion

Cologne, Jan. 23. The head of the Cologne bomb disposal squad and three of his staff were killed when a bomb they were dismantling blew up. The 500-pound bomb was dropped in a Cologne suburb during an Allied war-time air raid but it failed to explode.—France-Press.

## ROME MAY CONDEMN THIS...



Rome, Jan. 23. The Holy See may condemn professional boxing as a result of studies by Roman Catholic theologians and moralists, an unofficial Catholic source said tonight. Catholic moralists, this source said, felt that professional boxing could not be justified from a moral point of view. A noted Jesuit Father, Alfredo Bosch, said recently in an article in La Palestra Del Clero (The Tribune of the Clergy) that professional boxing was an illicit activity because it violated the com-

mandment "thou shalt not kill" and called for the use of brutal violence. Professional boxing, Father Bosch said, was the only sport which had as one of its principal objects that of depriving the adversary of consciousness by a "knock-out." Only the most serious reasons could justify exposing oneself or others to permanent injury. And among such reasons it could not be just to include the desire for pain and glory. Ecclesiastical authorities, the article continued, are not un-

mindful of the fact that a number of practicing Catholics have been or are professional boxers. Furthermore, many devout Catholics and even Catholic priests have lent their tacit consent to this sport in the absence of any specific prohibition. The article concluded by pointing out that even Catholic newspapers have assisted in "deforming the conscience" of Catholics by giving publicity to a sport which is contrary to the precepts of religious and natural law.—Reuter.

## 'Aid India' Call By Gaitskell

London, Jan. 24. The British Labour leader, Mr. Hugh Gaitskell, said last night that Britain had a moral obligation to help India get on "the escalator of progress."

Speaking at a dinner given by the Indian Journalists Association to mark India's Republic Day, Mr. Gaitskell said Britain should play its part in helping India and other countries in the second phase of the Colombo Plan.

It must be part of the Government's policy to see to it that the claims of the underdeveloped countries are met just as much as other claims at home," he said.

The dinner, held at the Criterion Restaurant, Piccadilly, was presided over by Mr. John Buchi, President of the Indian Journalists Association.

### DYNAMIC OUTLOOK

Lord Home, Secretary of Commonwealth Relations, proposing the toast to the Indian Republic, spoke of his recent tour in the Commonwealth.

He was greeted by loud laughter when he said, apparently in reference to the recent visit to India of Soviet leaders Marshal Nikolai Bulganin and Mr. Nikita Khrushchev, "I understand there have been several visitors to India during this season other than myself. I need not talk for them. They had not a little to say for themselves."

In a reference to Commonwealth development, Lord Home said the whole outlook of the Commonwealth was dynamic and constructive.

He hoped British manufacturers would play a very full part in providing the equipment which India, needed for her industrialisation.

Although Britain's surpluses for investment overseas were limited, said Lord Home, nevertheless the Commonwealth had first priority and India's claims were high.—France-Press.

### Fertile Ear

Rovings, Jan. 23. A seven-year-old Italian child, who complained of acute earache was found to have a grain of corn sprouting inside his ear. It was reported from Rovings, north-west Italy, today. The child, Giuliano Pedroni, was taken by his parents to a specialist. He removed the seed, which had started to germinate.—France-Press.

## ANTI-POLIO VACCINE FOR ROYAL CHILDREN?

London, Jan. 23. The Queen will decide, "like any other mother," whether to give Prince Charles and Princess Anne Britain's new Salk-type polio vaccine, Buckingham Palace sources said today. An article in the London newspaper, Daily Sketch, suggested that vaccination of the Royal children could do more for the newly developed polio serum than "any amount of Ministry of Health propaganda." "This is something only the Queen can decide," said a Palace spokesman today. "It is an entirely personal matter for the Queen to decide, as any other mother decides if she will have her children inoculated against a disease."—United Press.

## TORTURED TO DEATH WIDOW CLAIMS

Paris, Jan. 23. Madame Louis Renault, widow of the designer of the "Renault" car, today set in motion an investigation to prove that her husband died as a result of torture deliberately inflicted after the liberation of Paris in October, 1945.

The widow of M. Renault has placed charges against "a person or persons unknown" who she alleged cold-bloodedly tortured her husband in the infirmary of Fresnes Prison, outside Paris, where he was held while awaiting trial for "chémery."

She said that Renault died from cerebral haemorrhage resulting from injuries received under torture.—France-Press.

## DOCK STRIKE LATEST TROOPS MAY MAN THE WHARVES

Canberra, Jan. 23. Australian servicemen were reported today to be ready to move to the wharves to shift essential cargoes if 24,000 waterside workers decide to continue their nation-wide strike.

The reports followed an appeal by the Prime Minister Mr. Robert Menzies to the strikers to take their dispute to the Federal Arbitration Court.

His appeal came after day-long Cabinet discussions on the effects the strike could have on Australia's trade balance and overseas reserves. The stoppage began in 83 ports at midnight last night.

The dockers went on strike to demand a more pay and better conditions.

### MENZIES' WARNING

Within a few hours 130 ships were left idle in 63 ports around the nation with vital export cargoes of wool and wheat already piling up.

The Prime Minister made it clear that the Government did not intend to take action immediately against the strikers but warned that if the dispute continued "his character as a conflict between arbitration and direct action" the government would find itself involved in the struggle.

The government would be required to take whatever steps were within its power to uphold the principle of arbitration. He added warning that if prolonged the strike would have "terrible consequences for the Australian economy."—Reuter.

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## 'NOT RESIGNING' SAYS HARDING

Denies Row With Eden Over Cyprus

London, Jan. 23. Field Marshal Sir John Harding, Governor of Cyprus, denied heatedly in a television interview tonight that he intended to resign because of a "row" with Sir Anthony Eden.

He declared that newspaper reports alleging this were "entirely untrue and quite monstrous." Sir John Harding said the reports merely gave currency to broadcasts by the anti-British Athens radio, alleging that he had been in conflict with the Government.

He was being interviewed in a British Broadcasting Corporation office by Mr. Woodrow Wyatt, a minister in the last Labour Government.

### CABINET TALKS

The Governor had earlier today met Sir Anthony Eden for the third time in four days. Later the Prime Minister reported to his cabinet on their talk which concerned the constitutional future of Cyprus.

Today's meeting between the Governor and the Prime Minister took place against a background of rumours suggesting that Sir John Harding might resign through disagreement over the Government's handling of the Cyprus issue.

Government officials denied these reports, but Sir John Harding rejected them in even plainer terms in his television appearance.

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## MOROCCANS Saw 'Omens Of Death'

Marrakesh, Jan. 24. Si Thani el Glaoui, Pasha of Marrakesh and leader of a million Berber warriors, will be buried here today in a bare stone mausoleum.

He died yesterday, aged about 85.

M. Andre Louis Dubois, French Resident General in Morocco, will pay a last tribute to the powerful Pasha who had been a faithful supporter of France since she set up the Moroccan Protectorate in 1925.

El Glaoui, friend and host to Sir Winston Churchill and one of the richest men in the world, died on a camp bed in his luxurious palace from which he had ruled one-eighth of Morocco's population.

As news of his death spread through the Arab quarter of Marrakesh last night, superstitious Moroccans "revelled" in the "omens of death" seen in the sky recently when torrential rains and earth tremors frightened the people.

El Glaoui—the old lion of the Atlas region—had grown steadily weaker after an operation for a stomach ailment last month.—China Mail Special.

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## New Bid To Solve Armament Problems

New York, Jan. 23. The United Nations Disarmament Commission today agreed to set its five-member sub-committee in motion again as soon as possible to make a new effort to resolve East-West differences on arms limitation.

Negotiations on time and place will be conducted through diplomatic channels but usually reliable sources said that the sub-committee would probably meet in London at the end of February.

The Commission decided to call on the sub-committee, made up of Britain, the United States, France, the Soviet Union and Canada—to make an interim report after six weeks to the full 12 member body.

All members agreed that this report should not signal an end of the sub-committee's work, which should continue uninterrupted.

Mr. Arkady Sobolev, the Soviet delegate, used today's meeting, which the West had hoped would be purely procedural, to repeat Russian charges that Britain, the United States and France had obstructed agreement by "backing out" of previous positions when the Soviet Union advanced half way to meet them.

### NEVER GIVE UP HOPE

The Commission met today for the first time since the General Assembly heard a warning from the United States that a solution of the disarmament problem could well hinge on "preservation of the human race."

Mr. Henry Cabot Lodge, United States representative, made the statement as chairman of the Commission.

"For this reason we here of all people must never give up hope and do all we can to translate that hope into concrete agreement," he said.

The Commission met in accordance with a resolution passed by the General Assembly which called for continuation of negotiations on the five-power sub-committee set up by the Commission two years ago.

The Assembly urged that the sub-committee continue the search for agreement on a disarmament plan and that, as initial steps, it should give priority to President Eisenhower's "open skies" plan for exchanging military blueprints, and mutual aerial inspection and proposal of the Soviet Union for establishing control posts at strategic centres.

The sub-committee was also asked by the General Assembly to study "all such measures of adequately safeguarded disarmament as are now feasible."—Reuter.

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# Singapore Objects To Federation Tengku's Attack

Singapore, Jan. 14.

The statement by Tengku Abdul Rahman, Chief Minister of the Federation of Malaya, that Singapore was not strong enough to deal with subversive elements brought criticism today from the Straits Times, influential English language newspaper here.

In its leader, the newspaper, which has a wide circulation in the Tengku's Federation, was commenting on statements made by him to Malayan students in London, where he is leading the "merdeka" (freedom) mission in talks with the British Government.

It said the excited gathering of students was not the best audience nor was London quite the best place for "the fatherly" attack which Tengku Abdul Rahman saw fit to make upon Singapore and its government.

"No doubt," it went on, "some of the things which the Chief Minister of the Federation said needed saying but they needed saying privately."

## Ill-advised

The Tengku could hardly claim to have been helpful, to his colleague in Singapore, Mr. David Marshall, the Chief Minister.

The Tengku's attack was wholly unnecessary and ill-advised. It was a breach of neighbourly relations which the two Ministers and two to three days. It was a shame, really, which we must Mr. Marshall will make.

The Straits Times' news columns said that the Tengku's disclosure he would accept

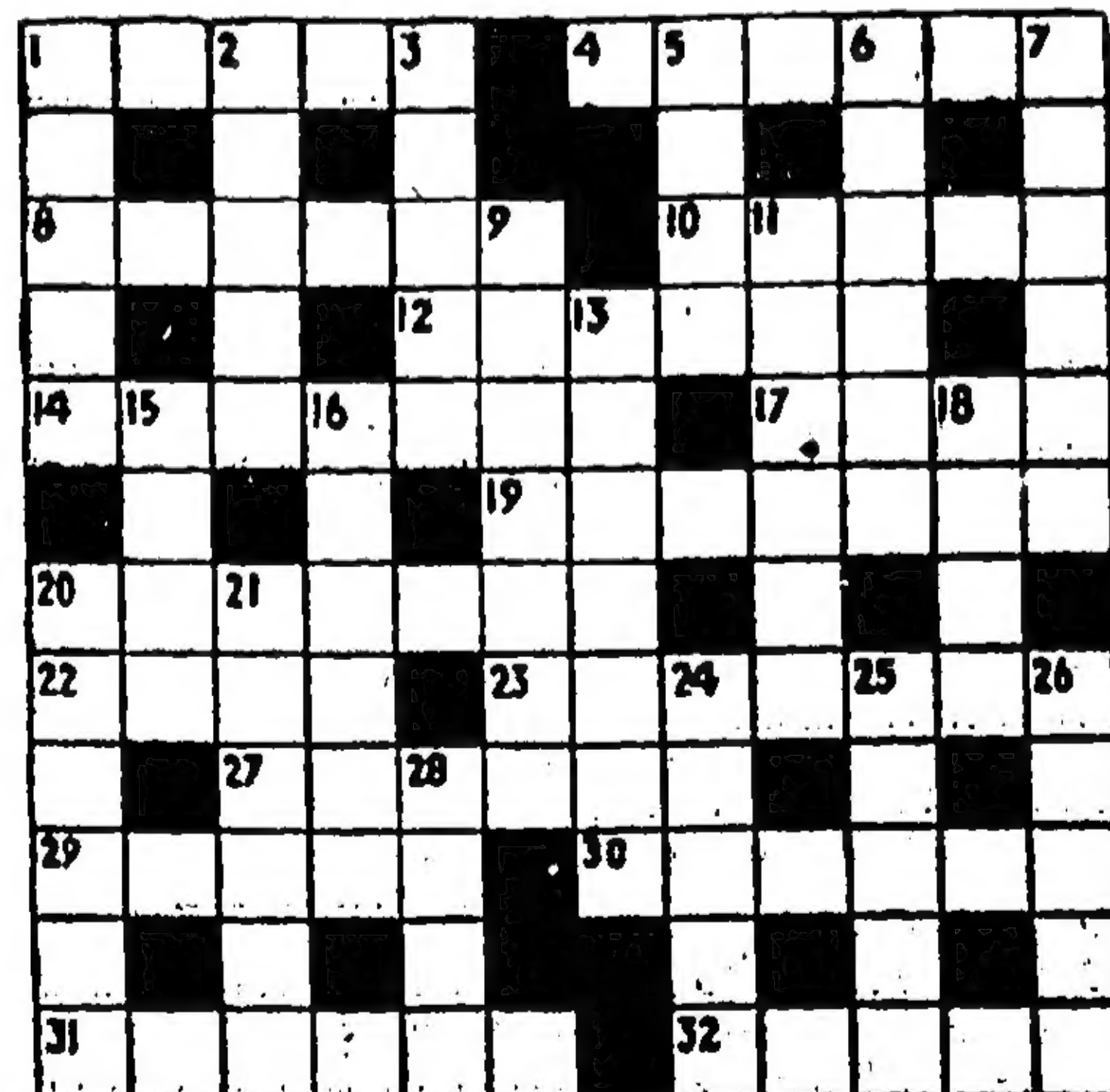
## FINNS SPIED FOR RUSSIA

Helsinki, Jan. 23. Three Finns were given prison sentences ranging from 18 months to three years, with hard labour for passing secret information to the Soviet Union.

Sentences were passed by a Helsinki tribunal meeting in a secret session.

The convicted men, who were found guilty of several acts of espionage since 1945, were a businessman, Mika Hockkula, a banker, Arvo Hockkula, and a clerk, Matti Eloranta.—France-Press.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



**ACROSS**

- Twig broom (5).
- Proclamations (5).
- War fleet (5).
- Fortion (5).
- Hang threateningly (5).
- Give up hope (7).
- Wet (4).
- Made effervescent (7).
- Burles (7).
- Profound (4).
- Correspondence (7).
- Call (5).
- Name of distinction (5).
- Muddle (5).
- Division of Yorkshire (5).
- Material (5).

**DOWN**

- Trademark (5).
- Drains (5).
- Agencies (5).
- Believe (5).
- Planned (7).
- Unbroken (5).
- Gift (7).
- Kind of eagle (4).
- Drive (5).
- Bring up (4).
- Press (5).
- Trick (5).
- Reins (5).
- Kenn (5).
- Vegetable (5).
- Riding (5).

**YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD:** Across: 1. Spalding, 2. Laid, 3. Artillery, 11. Attended, 12. Once, 13. Draped, 14. Corollary, 15. That, 16. Tangle, 17. Prepared, 18. Mule, 19. Canora, 20. Tangle, 21. All, 22. Part, 23. Road, 24. Latin, 25. Dodge, 26. Apple, 27. Mule, 28. Thence, 29. Cross, 30. Rover, 31. Drops, 32. Tangle.



The Federation of Malaya Constitutional Conference to discuss future relationships between British and Malaya opened in London last Wednesday. Picture shows a general view of the delegates. Those on right are from Malaya. The Malayan delegates include Dato Nik Ahmed Ramli, Dato Mohamed Seth, Dato Panglima Bukli Gantang, Tuan Haji Abdul Wahid and Tengku Abdul Rahman.—Express Photo.

## Roman Catholic Church Well Managed

New York, Jan. 23.

One of the world's oldest organisations—the Roman Catholic Church—is also one of the best administered and managed, according to a leading management auditing firm.

The American Institute of Management, a non-profit management appraisal foundation, disclosed this in releasing the results of a seven-year study of the management policies and practices of the 1900-year-old religious body.

The Institute, which has carried out surveys of administrative efficiency in over 4,000 corporations, colleges and religious and other non-profit organisations, found the Church today to be over 88 per cent efficient. This is exceptional, the Institute said, as a 75 per cent rating is "excellent" even by corporate standards.

## Modern Structure

Through the centuries, however, management of the Church has had its ups and downs, the audit firm noted. Managerial

## Father's Crowded Schedule

Modena, Jan. 23.

A 36-year-old Soviet-born Moslem farmhand has just been converted to Catholicism, baptised and remarried to his own wife, all within a few hours, it was disclosed here today.

The farmhand, Nicola Mammadola, an ex-soldier in the Soviet and German armies, settled after World War II in the village of Bomporto, where he married Ermilina Martinelli, a servant girl pretending that he was a Catholic.

After the birth of their two children, Mammadola, a conscientious, confessed to Ermilina he was still a Moslem. Ermilina, a devout Catholic, rushed to the local priest who promptly arranged the three-way ceremony, which was held yesterday.—France-Press.

## Antarctic Advance Party Landed

London, Jan. 23.

The motor ship Tottan (540 tons) left Antarctica yesterday, after landing the advance party of the Royal Society's Antarctic expedition on the shores of Comandante, to return to South Georgia, Britain's South Atlantic base.

The Royal Society said here today: "The day in which the stored have been landed is formed by two ice headlands, two miles apart."

A slope between them gives easy access to the ice. From the top of the slope, the ice level continues in a gentle rise to the east, and in the far distance about 35 miles away, the main continental plateau is visible.—China Mail Special.

## Sen. Knowland To Oppose Eisenhower

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 23.

Senator William Knowland (Republican, California) was named today to oppose President Eisenhower and General Douglas MacArthur in the Illinois Republican primary contest.

Petitions to have his name placed on the Illinois primary list were by a Chicago woman who said she had not been in



Sen. Knowland

contact with Senator Knowland, the Senate minority leader.

In Washington Senator Knowland was reported willing to have his name filed in the Illinois primary.

The Illinois Republican primary is to be held on April 10. Results of the preferential vote are not binding on the state's 60 member delegation to the Republican convention, where the party's candidate for the presidential election in November is chosen.—Reuter.

## US CUTTER BATTLES ICE JAM

Montreal, Jan. 23.

Thousands of Sunday drivers packed the shoreline of the St. Clair River, near Sarnia, Ontario, yesterday to watch the US Coast Guard cutter Tugalo in its battle against huge ice jams on the river.

Downstream the cutter Acadia reached Port Lambton in her slow fight against ice on Lake St. Clair.

There are two separate ice fields, one above Sarnia and the other below. The ice in the river extends about 10 miles into Lake Huron. The ice jams are blamed for water level drop of four feet downstream.

The job of the cutters is to clear a channel down which ice may escape when the jam breaks. Otherwise, millions of tons of ice would crash against the shoreline and heavily damage property.—United Press.

Melbourne, Jan. 23.

Church leaders from Europe, Asia and the United States will stay five days in Melbourne when the executive committee of the World Council of Churches meets here in February.

They will preach in city and suburban churches during their stay.—China Mail Special.

## DIEM'S SUPPORTERS OPEN ELECTORAL CAMPAIGN

Saigon, Jan. 23.

The National Revolution Movement—a political party headed by Information Minister Tran Chanh Thanh—fired the opening shot last night of the unofficial electoral campaign to set up South Vietnam's first National Assembly.

The official date of the elections, which are expected to be held in March, has not yet been announced.

The National Revolution Movement, which was formed in 1953 by President Ngo Dinh Diem and his close associates, to fight French colonialism, claims over 1,000,000 registered members who have pledged themselves to give full support to Diem.

Tran Chanh Thanh, who is president of the party, is a member of Diem's inner Cabinet.

## Broad Outline

The electoral platform which the party has now published can, therefore, be considered as a broad outline of the South Vietnam government's policy.

An appeal to the nation, which the party published at the same time, has particular emphasis on the threat of invasion of South Vietnam by Vietnamese Communists from the north with the aid of China and rebel Vietnamese warlords.

It said the party's lines of action were an unrestrained struggle against feudalism, colonialism and communism, the consolidation of national independence, the reunification of Vietnam, the building up of democracy, the safeguarding of liberty, social reforms, with peace and individual welfare as the ultimate targets.

## Highlights

Highlights of the National Revolution Movement's political programme were:

"Our people must continue its struggle so that free elections can be held in North Vietnam."

"Reunification of the country can be achieved only through free, honest elections, with sufficient guarantees of security for the electors before, during and after the elections."

The programme said that Franco-Vietnamese relations would be based on the principles of liberty and strict equality."

It added: "To dispel all misunderstanding, we ask France's government to make clear its plans about its relations with Vietnam and to withdraw the French Expeditionary Corps."

## Other Points

"On Republic of Vietnam territory, the lives and properties of French and foreign nationals will be protected by the Vietnamese government and people."

Other points in the programme included:

Foreign policy—Consolidation of national independence

## Super Sabres For Defence Of Europe

Wiesbaden, Jan. 23.

All US Air Force units in Europe will be equipped with new supersonic fighter planes, the Super-Sabre, F-100, in the next six months, the United States Air Force headquarters in Europe announced today.

The 45th Fighter Squadron at Sidi Slimane, Morocco, will receive the first batch of the new planes before the end of January.

The station will then become a training base for pilots of all other units.

The Super Sabres will be flown to Europe via Labrador and Iceland.—France-Press.

## Light Bombers For Japan

Honolulu, Jan. 23.

Five B-37 light bombers left Hickam Field at 1.15 p.m. today for Japan, where they will bolster the Far East Air Force defenses.

The bombers were being deployed by high winds along the proposed route. They are flying to Japan via Johnston, Kwajalein and Guam. An Air Force spokesman said the trip would take three to four days, depending on the winds and other factors.

This is the third group of B-37 bombers to be sent to Japan.—China Mail Special.

## Cook Got Mad At Leopard

Inyangah, S. Rhodesia, Jan. 23.

AN African cook, Jan, on a farm in the Inyangah area of the Eastern Districts in Southern Rhodesia, got a bit tired of a leopard which had killed five of his goats.

When it added his pet dog to its victims, Jan, asked for the day off, tracked down the wild beast and killed it with a single blow of his home-made axe.

Jan set off on his one-day "holiday" armed with a knife and a large axe he had made himself, and with the help of dogs, he tracked the leopard down five miles away from the farm.

## Swung Axe

The leopard sprang at Jan, severely lacerating his hand and calves, but during the struggle, Jan managed to bury his knife in the animal's ear.

During the momentary release Jan swung the axe and thrust it deep into the leopard's skull, killing it instantly. Jan used strips of bark to tie round his bleeding wrists and returned home.

He was not, however, at home when the leopard was brought back, axe still firmly wedged in its skull because he had been rushed immediately to a clinic, from where the latest report is that a very contented Jan is making good progress.—France-Press.

## Fewer Inmates In Irish Prisons

Dublin, Jan. 23.

There were fewer inmates in Irish prisons during 1954, and the majority were serving sentences of less than three months, according to a Department of Justice report here.

Commonest offences were shop and house-breaking. Total number of prisoners declined from 2,795 in 1953 to 2,521 in 1954.

The number of prisoners committed on conviction in 1954 was 1,788, a decrease of 187 on the preceding year. Ninety per cent of the male prisoners were under 21 years old and 24 per cent were over 40 years of age.—China Mail Special.

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### Saudi King Bribes All Round

## EDEN TO TAKE TOUGHER LINE

By Derek Marks

**B**RIBES from oil-rich Saudi Arabia are stirring up anti-British trouble again in the Middle East. They spurred on Jordan's club and knife mobs to riot against the Bagdad Pact.

The threat is so serious that Sir Anthony Eden is to seek President Eisenhower's aid in curbing the bribery and trouble making.

Anglo-American lining-up on Middle East policy will be the topic in the Washington talks between the two leaders later this month.

A big factor behind the trouble is the wholesale dispersal of U.S. dollars round the Middle East.

This is how the money comes. The multi-million dollar American oil combine known as Aramco (Arabian American Oil Company) pays Saudi Arabia's King Saud \$100 million a year. Two-thirds of it is in dollars, one-third in sterling.

Aramco has a 400,000-square-mile concession in Saudi Arabia—the second biggest oil-producing country in the Middle East.

### Jordan Riots

This is how the money comes. Most of Saudi Arabia's millions is paid out in bribes and to the country's 300 princes.

The extent of Saudi-Arabian bribery is shown in the \$30,000,000 which was offered unsuccessfully to the Sultan of Muscat to desert Britain and leave the Buraimi Oasis, rich in oil, to the Saudis. Then the Saudis looked to the 800,000 Arab refugees turned out of Israel and dotted in camps round the Middle East.

Riots in Jordan—where there are 450,000 refugees—could be aimed at the West's Bagdad pact. Cash was poured in, and the riots flared. Communists, too, helped to provoke them, said the Foreign Office.

What is Britain doing? 1. Mr. Roderick W. Parkes, British Ambassador in Jeddah, capital of Saudi-Arabia, is to stay in London for an indefinite period as a protest against Saudi anti-British activity. 2. Mr. Evelyn Shuckburgh, head of the Foreign Office Middle East Department, goes to Washington for preliminary discussions with State Department officials.

### Urgent Demands

Then, on January 25, the Prime Minister and Foreign Secretary, Mr. Selwyn Lloyd, will call for the U.S. They will confer with the President and Secretary of State, Mr. John Foster Dulles, for four days.

What may come out of the talks? It is clear that only active intervention by the United States can deal with the dispersal of dollars in the Middle East.

But it is difficult for the U.S. Government to interfere directly. And both British and American experts recognize that the

solution of the Israel-Egyptian row—and the subsequent resettlement of the 800,000 Arab refugees—is necessary for the basis of a general Middle East settlement.

President Eisenhower and Sir Anthony are expected to put forward urgent demands to both sides for a speedy settlement, and they will offer in return a new and stronger guarantee of Middle East frontiers.

### New Danger

In Jordan five Governments have taken office since riots flared last month. Jordan was created by Britain out of the shifting sands of Middle East politics after World War I. Friendly relations blossomed into a formal military alliance eight years ago.

The main core of Jordan's friendship with Britain has been developed and strengthened by Glubb Pasha—Lieut.-General John Bagot Glubb, commander of the Arab Legion and founder of its desert patrol which stopped tribal raiding and pacified the frontiers.

Now a new danger threatens Jordan-British friendship. The new Prime Minister, Samir El Rifai, said last month that the two big questions facing his country are revision of her treaty with Britain and withdrawal of British officers from the Arab Legion.

## TREASURE IS NO SOLACE TO THE NIZAM

By RUSSELL SPURR

**T**HE richest man in the world is worried about the cost of living. Each day he sits at his desk in crumpled pyjamas poring over the household accounts.

Too much has been spent on mutton, he complains. There will simply have to be economies....

Then off he shuffles, in cheap camel-skin slippers, to spend an hour in his strong-room with the greatest collection of jewels in the world.

His Exalted Highness, the Nizam of Hyderabad, is still worth well over £100 million. The Indian Government has commandeered much of his property, seized lands and revenues, and slashed his official pension.

Yet there are trunks full of gold and precious stones scattered round his four remaining palaces.

His rooms glitter like Aladdin's cave when the 72-year-old ex-ruler flicks on the fluorescent lights. Bags of emeralds, pearls and rubies clutter the exquisite inlaid tables. Gem-studded swords hang from many hooks on the walls.

Somewhere about, no one really knows where, are the

few dusty boxes containing massive diamonds each worth a fortune, which seem to have been bought and immediately forgotten.

The Nizam potters absently through his treasures, lovingly examining a rare black peacock an enamel water sprinkler before he goes back to the Mogul emperors of India.

Then the lights flutter off. The door slams shut. The Nizam returns to his austere private apartments to resume his battle with the cost of living.

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He has cause to be worried. The Indian Government is calling for economies to finance the staggering burden of the new five-year plan.

There have already been strong hints that some of the vast wealth locked in the Hyderabad strong-rooms might be "loaned" for national reconstruction.

The planners in Delhi have lately thought longingly of the \$25,000,000 worth of jewels the Hyderabad properties are valued at. \$20,000,000. Ready cash in bullion and securities is estimated at \$25,000,000.

The Nizam bitterly remembers September 18, 1948, when the Indian Army overtook his state.

He ignores the hints. But soon, he fears, there will be more than hints.

So, frugally, he prepares for harder times.

The first reductions are now being made in the 1000-strong palace staff. Five of the Nizam's 20 personal cooks are being retired—no great hardship, since he eats little more than rice and gruel every day. Most of the 20 falcons have gone.

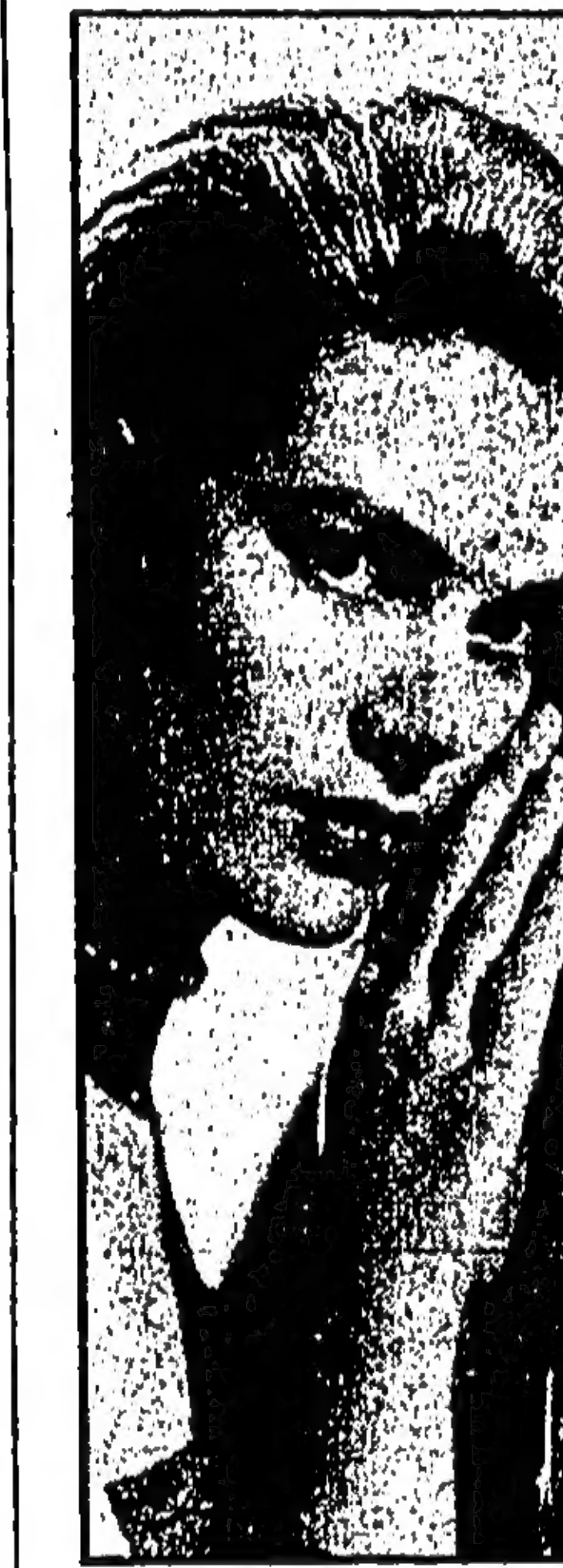
The bulk of the splendid stable of Arab hunters is being sold. The private train with gilded internal fittings has been turned over (less the fittings) to the nationalised railways.

There is still trouble reducing the palace food bill. The Nizam averages only 3s. 6d. a day. He would like to pare it down to three shillings.

But his three surviving wives, 42 harem women, 94 children, grandchildren, and family dependents stubbornly continue to eat £20 a day.

How can that be cut to please Pandit Nehru's planners? Perhaps it would be better to retire some of the eight water-carriers who replenish his solid gold finger-bowls. Or cut down the palace bodyguards.

The Nizam sits worrying over his future. In a changing world, wondering what his trouble tomorrow may bring.



PRINCESS GRACIA

## LOOK! THEY'RE ALL KELLYS!

from County Mayo

Once again Page Four groups together the faces of ordinary people and presents them as a backcloth to the news. Today: the Kellys of Co. Mayo where the grandfather of Grace Kelly, now engaged to Prince Rainier of Monaco, was once a farmer. Well, that's what the Kellys think of Kelly. And now carry on below.

## HER SERENE HIGHNESS AT HOME

CHRISTOPHER LUCAS takes up the story of the family back home for the final day of "Miss Kelly's Kingdom"

**T**WO thrones are one too many—even for Grace Kelly. Her studios are already bravely facing the fact that their blonde-haired, aloof star has abdicated her tin-foil Hollywood crown for the gilt-edged lustre of her new title: Serene Highness Princess Gracia de Monaco.

No one is particularly surprised, for Grace Kelly turned the Hollywood legend inside out. She was a rich girl, who struck it even richer.

Her cool, well-bred figure was never discovered behind a soda fountain; she was never a starlet; never posed for "cheese-

cake." She never pulled strings to become a star. She even turned down two good contracts before she forced the mighty MGM picture empire to grant her special terms.

And she has always kept her personal life private.

In the solid comfort of their home—paneled walls, Chippendale furniture, and sporting prints—the parents view their sudden plunge into centuries-old European royalty with mixed feelings of enthusiasm and apprehension.

Her mother, Mrs. John B. Kelly, a handsome, well-proportioned former fashion model, told me: "Naturally, mother, I would like to have my daughter marry a boy around the corner."

For Grace's father, burly, former bricklayer turned millionaire, the prospective royal marriage reflects his third "revenge" over social snobbery.

In 1920 Jack Kelly, one of America's best scullers, sailed for England to compete at Henley. But the race committee brusquely ruled he could not enter because he had once "worked with his hands" and was therefore not a "gentleman."

Kelly angrily moved on to the Olympics, where he soundly thrashed the Henley victor.

### No grudges

**T**WENTY-SEVEN years later he stood on the banks of the Thames and saw his son John, a university graduate and therefore a "gentleman," win the Diamond Sculls by eight lengths.

But Mr. Kelly, who personally coached his son, does not bear grudges. He told me: "I have never had anything against the aristocracy for not letting me race. It was the stewards who stopped me."

Mr. and Mrs. Kelly both plan to visit their daughter in her new palace home at least once a year. They are quietly content that their famous daughter, sensibly brought up in a local Catholic convent, will not be overruled by her new life.

One of her two pretty blonde-haired sisters, Peggy, said: "Grace will take it all in her stride. After all, she played a princess in her last film. The Swain. It's certainly not going to change our lives, although we will sure have fun visiting her."

Miss Kelly's family, who never wanted her to become an actress, are sure she will happily forsake East Boulevard for the palm-lined Avenue de Monte Carlo. They know because Hollywood's "hottest" star, who was devoted to property, once also said about a well-

Hollywood: "I have many acquaintances here, but no friends."

She will make two more films, "High Society" and "Designing Woman" before she retires from Hollywood.

### Happiest

**H**ER brother John, still America's sculling champion, is happiest of all. He said: "I didn't approve of some oddballs she was going out with. Rainier seems a pretty nice guy, although a little shy. But he'd never make an oarsman—he's too small!"

During her meteoric three-year film career, Grace's leading men have been: Ray Milland, James Stewart, William Holden, Bing Crosby, and Stewart Granger. The cap-longest columnarist, the prospective royal marriage reflects his third "revenge" over social snobbery.

Snorted Father Kelly: "These people in Hollywood think marriage is a game of musical chairs."

When the gossip hinted that Ray Milland was leaving his wife for Grace, Mother Kelly hustled out to California to set things straight. From then on Hollywood's top box-office star only went on date with chaperones.

Grace's grandfather, Brendan, was in his teens when, with his brothers Michael and Peter, he emigrated from Knapagh, a village a few miles from Westport, Co. Mayo.

That was about 100 years ago when famine stalked Ireland.

### Mixture

**G**RACE's father—his middle name is Brendan too—youngest of a family of ten, began life as a bricklayer. With 7,000 borrowed dollars he started a business which is now America's biggest brickwork construction company.

Her German-born mother was the first woman P.T. instructor at Pennsylvania University. Life for young Grace, at their big 18-room house, was a mixture of churchgoing, picnics, tennis, fancy-dress parties, and amateur dramatics.

"Somebody else always got the lead," recalls Grace now. She enrolled at a drama school. Commented a Father Kelly: "We hoped she would give it up. Those movie people live such shallow lives."

But Grace, quietly, self-assured, pressed on to become a actress, and sure she will happily forsake East Boulevard for the palm-lined Avenue de Monte Carlo. They know because Hollywood's "hottest" star, who was devoted to property, once also said about a well-







## WINTER OLYMPIC GAMES AMERICA'S WASHBOND RETURNS SECOND FASTEST TIME IN OFFICIAL TRYOUT

By PETER UEBERSAX

Cortina d'Ampezzo, Italy, Jan. 23.

Bud Washbond (USA) whizzed down the One-Mile Olympic bobsled course in one minute, 22.91 seconds today to record the second fastest time in the official two-man tryouts for the Winter Games.

They'll be placed like the others, and may even win a medal, but their late start on the (by then) rut-covered run will carry a tremendous handicap.

There was no danger of the top Italian, US, German, Austrian and Swiss teams being eliminated from the regular starting positions. In danger after today's runs were slow teams from Liechtenstein, Poland, Norway, Rumania and Belgium.

The Russians are not entered in the bobsled events. Tonight, the hard-hitting Russian and US hockey teams will be meeting in an exhibition game at Bolzano, about 45 miles from the Olympic site here.

### HOCKEY MATCHES

Kenneth (Tug) Wilson, president of the US Olympic Committee, refused today to predict how the US hockey team will fare in Olympic competition until the results of tonight's match are in. But he believes that Russia and Canada will be the chief contenders for the hockey crown.

Wilson, and the other Americans, were tremendously impressed by the Russian showing in the unofficial speed-skating yesterday.

In a 500-metre race, the Russians swept the first three places with Evgeniy Grishin, Yuriy Sergeev, and Raul Grishin. Grishin bettered the world record with a 40.2 second run, and the three Americans followed the old mark of 40.8 set by Henry of Chicago and Don McDermott of England, who finished one-two in this event in the 1952 Olympics, had to settle for fourth and fifth places.

Those speed skating performances yesterday all but make certain that we won't win a single Gold medal in that event," said Wilson.

He said that with the Russians appearing in the Winter Games for the first time, it is "extremely unlikely" that the US will match its performance of winning four Gold medals in the 1952 Games. Only Eugene Monti, the tubing daredevil who set a record of 1:22.38 in today's second run, recorded a faster time. Monti was timed in 1:22.50 in the second run. The times recorded in today's second run and tomorrow's second run will be added to form an aggregate clocking for each of the 25 sleds entered in the two-man competition. The five slowest teams will start last, when the official Olympic heats begin on Friday. These five will have to use cut-up track and will have virtually no chance to record a fast time.

### THIRD FASTEST

Umberto della Costa of Italy made the third fastest clocking during today's second heat, 1:23.48.

The time gap between the Italians, who have been practising on the course for days, and the challenging Americans is getting narrower every day.

The Yankees emphasised the toughness among the bobsledgers today by deciding to put a special guard over their sleds "in case of accidents." Italian sled-handlers dropped Washbond's sled six feet onto the ground today while running it down the ramp at the end of the track.

"The Italian who was handling the sled ripped his arm in trying to stop it running over the ramp, so I don't think he let it go intentionally," Washbond said. "But now that we're crowding them close, we shouldn't take any chances on leaving the sleds alone."

The dashing Italians were the Number One target of all the 25 teams which started eliminations today to split entries in two groups. Foreign teams grumbled because the home-bred Italians were permitted extra-early practice on the run.

In today's test each crew made two runs, but only the

second run counted towards the aggregate. It will be added to the clockings for tomorrow's second heat, and the slowest five will be put into a group that makes its Olympic runs after the other 20 have finished their race for the day.

He said he has high hopes, however, of two Gold medals — in the men's and women's figure skating — and that's about it. American hopes of winning the women's figure skating crown, badly jolted when World Champion Tenley Albright gashed her right leg in practice last week, were revived yesterday when Miss Albright returned to the ice for her first workout, and appeared frisky.

She reported her leg "feels good." She planned only another 30-minute workout today, but to resume two and three practice sessions a day tomorrow.

### MOUNTING TENSION

The swiftly mounting tension as opening day approaches resulted in two disputes, one involving the US female figure skaters and the other a Spanish bobsled team.

It was noted that Carol Heiss of Ozone Park, N.Y., and Carol Ann Orsina of Fresno, Calif., virtually ignored Miss Albright when she appeared on her workout.

The Spanish bobsledgers were upset at word that a new driver was being sent to them. The Marquis de Portago, a member of the team, said the

new driver "has never driven a bobsled."

The Italian Olympic Committee announced today that the 500-metre speed skating time of 40.2 seconds set yesterday by Russia's Evgeniy Grishin could not be submitted for recognition as a world record.

The committee ruled the clocking, made in a pre-Olympic meet on Lake Masarina, could not be submitted for recognition because the skaters were paired arbitrarily and not by lots, as international skating rules prescribe. Grishin skated with teammate Yuri Sergeev.

"Every time we set a record, somebody tries to find a hair in the soup," grumbled Sergei Semanov, a member of the Russian Olympic Committee. — United Press.

## Olympic Torch Passes Venice To Winter Games

Venice, Jan. 23

The Olympic torch, which will burn at the Seventh Winter Olympic Games beginning at Cortina d'Ampezzo on Thursday, arrived in Venice today aboard a military plane.

The torch was lit yesterday at Rome's capital hill by Mayor Salvatore Rebecchini and carried to the airport. Air Force men stood guard over it during the night.

When the aircraft touched down at the Lido, the flame was taken by a former Italian Ski Champion, Adriano Guarnieri, who with other athletes conveyed it by gondola through the canals of Venice.

A motor boat took the torch from the outskirts of the city to the mainland, where World Champion roller skater Alberto Tomba carried it from the shore to the town of Mestre. — Reuter.

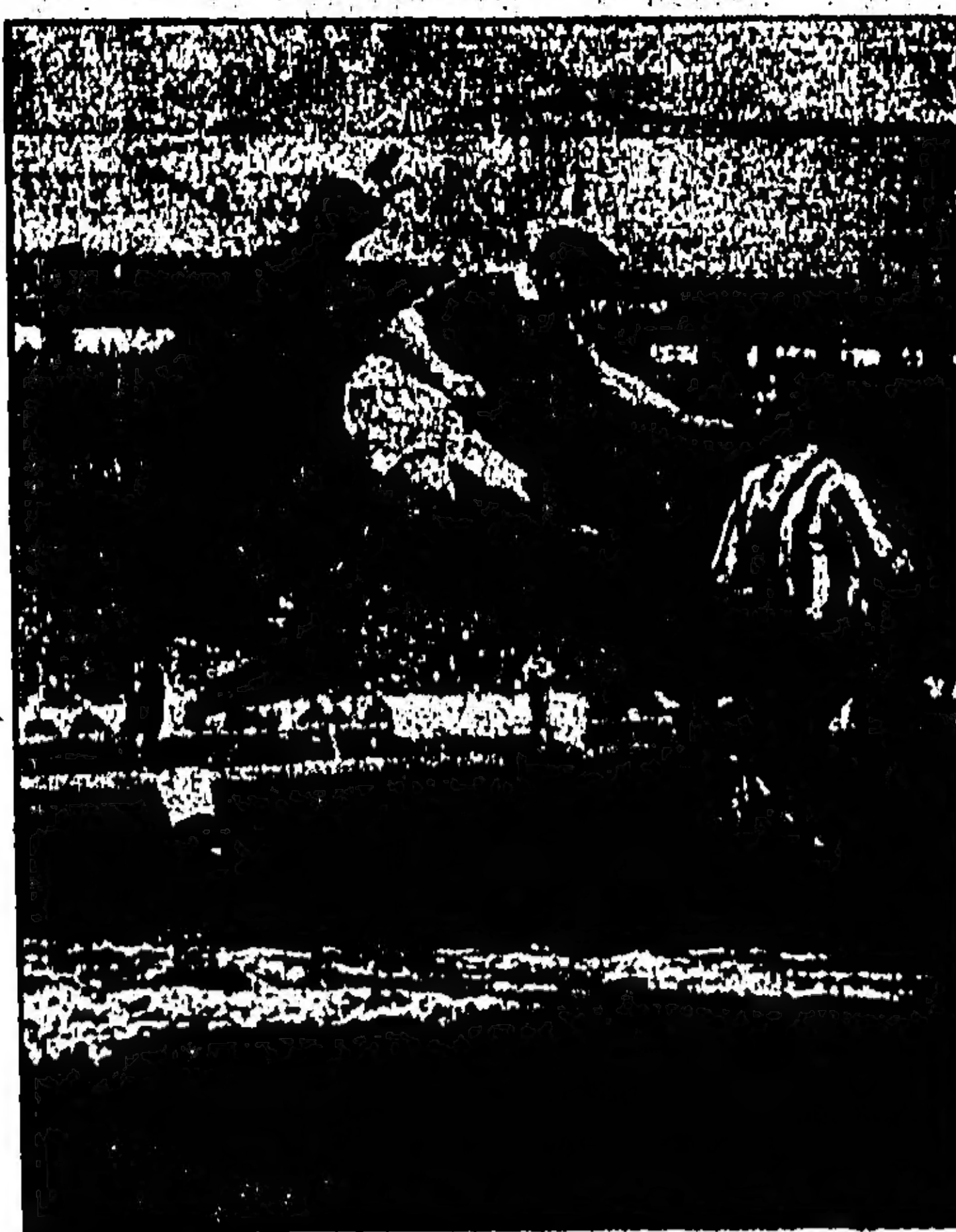
## Sports Diary

**TODAY**  
Boxing: Colony open boxing championships, preliminary rounds at Southern Playground, 7 p.m.  
Shooting: Colony Biathlon Services section at Kai Tak range.  
Squash: Colony Squash championship at Victoria Court, 8 p.m.  
Badminton: Police v R.A.F. at Central Police Station, 8 p.m.

**TOMORROW**  
Shooting: Hongkong Biathlon Services section at Kai Tak range.  
Boxing: Colony Open Boxing Championships, semi-finals at Southern Playground, 7 p.m.  
Basketball: Basketball Championships.

**THURSDAY**  
La Salle College Annual Athletic Meet at Boundary Street, 2 p.m.  
Shooting: HK Biathlon Services Section at Kai Tak range.  
Table Tennis: Chinese Club for non-Chinese Competitions.  
Boxing: Colony Boxing Championships at Southern Playground, 7 p.m.

## GOALMOUTH TABLEAU



Trio forming a 'tableau' are Sunderland left-half Aitken (striped shirt), Chelsea inside-left Stubbs and Sunderland goalkeeper Fraser, during an attack on the Sunderland goal in the First Division match at Stamford Bridge, London on January 14. The match ended in a two-all draw. — Reuterphoto.

## Russia Prepares For Wimbledon—But Grass Courts Will Be Handicap

By DENNIS HART

It was such a cosy arrangement. Australia and America, Davis Cup specialists. For eighteen years they have claimed exclusive rights on the final of this most international of all annual competitions.

With all other competitors regularly crushed by these two giant tennis machines, it will take a new force to disturb the balance of power.

### OLYMPIC GAMES

## IOC Meet In Secret To Discuss Television Rights

Cortina, D'Ampezzo, Jan. 23.

The International Olympic Committee hopes to obtain this year's jurisdictional recognition of a "sport international" to "unite the nations and abolish frontiers by means of an Olympic ideal common to all."

Count Paul Thon Di Revel, President of the Organising Committee of the Winter Games, told the 51st annual meeting of the IOC here it has hoped this would be obtained by means of an international convention for the protection of Olympic emblems.

It would "achieve once and for all in this particular period the same four-yearly truce that in other times enabled the people of ancient Greece to meet in peace under the shield of the Olympiads, despite their constant quarrels," he said.

The IOC session, which opened today, gets down to business tomorrow. Meeting in secret, it will discuss television rights for Olympic events, the question of amateurism, and the problem of its own dwindling finances. — China Mail Special.

The International Olympic Committee started its 51st annual meeting with a squabble today when the Austrian delegation announced it planned an all-out campaign to take the 1980 Winter Games away from Squaw Valley, California.

The Austrian announcement split the body into two factions — pro-Squaw Valley and pro-Innsbruck, Austria.

European Winter sports centre, however, have been very happy secret. It will discuss television rights for Olympic events, the question of amateurism, and the problem of its own dwindling finances. — China Mail Special.

United Press.

That force, I forecast, is on the way. It will come from Russia.

The Soviet Union is getting down seriously to tennis. Soon they plan to enter the international sphere. It may well be that Wimbledon, 1957, will see Sergei Andrejev, Russian Champion and member of the famous Moscow Spartak Sports Club, walking on to the Centre Court, and a Russian team competing in the Davis Cup.

They will come well prepared. Like other countries, Russia knows that top class lawn tennis is a highly competitive business and her players get full state backing.

"MASTERS OF TENNIS" Thirty-seven Russian players hold the title of USSR Master of Sport; 11 are Honoured Masters of Sport. General guidance in coaching is provided by the tennis section of the Soviet Committee for Sport and Culture.

The game is now spreading to the schools.

What sort of players are the Russians? They are a mixed bunch. Some favour all-out attack in Lew Hoad fashion; others, the all-court game as practised by Ken Rosewall.

The Russians will have to learn to adapt their game when playing on grass courts. They play mainly on clay and sand and courts which are slower than grass. They will also need regular international competition generally to sharpen up their game.

But they have already proved themselves quick learners in sport. Russia's footballers reached world class in half a dozen seasons, and within nine years of taking up ice hockey Russia won the World Championship.

Soviet lawn tennis players are all set to emulate them. Purists bewailing the entry of an official state-sponsored side into lawn tennis may like to digest this fact:

One of Russia's leading players, five times Champion of the USSR, is Nikolai Ozerov. A full-time player or "shamateur" Nikolai is one of the few tennis Champions in the world

who can boast a regular job. He is an actor with the Moscow Arts Theatre, and acting comes first. — (London Express Service) (COPYRIGHT)

## Why Macao Match Was Cancelled

Macao, Jan. 24.

Referring to the Press conference given by the members of the Wiener Sportklub in Winner House in Hongkong in which it was denied that the Austrians would be playing in Macao on January 24, the Committee of the Football Association issued the following official communiqué yesterday.

"The Macao Football Association wishes to make it clear that the Internationale Sport Centrale (the promoters of the tour of the Wiener Sportklub) in a letter to the Macao Football Association dated September 27, 1955, proposed a three-match series to be played in Macao during the tour of the Wiener Sportklub."

"For obvious reasons the Macao Football Association was not in a position to accept three games in Macao and suggested that a single match be played here."

"On January 13, 1956, the promoters through Mr. Fred Krush, in a letter to the Macao Football Association, stated that the Wiener Sportklub would be played here on January 24 (their only date available) and that the Macao Football Association should immediately contact Mr. Rudolf Pavlik, the leader of the touring team, accepting the offer and terms. The Macao Football Association did likewise."

"Only a last-minute change in their scheduled flight to Saigon made the game impossible."

"The Macao Football Association received from Mr. Pavlik a cable, regretting that the game could not be played for the above reason." — France Press.

## HUTTON'S OUT!

## But He Has Played His Way Into Cricket History And Cricketing Hearts

Says ALEX BANNISTER

So Len Hutton, the great cricketer, has lost his long struggle with the demon bowler illness. On January 17, Hutton's melancholy announcement of his retirement must have saddened countless admirers far from his native Yorkshire and the shores of England.

International cricket is measurably the poorer, and our own chances of retaining the "Ashes," so hardly won by Hutton's team, must be weakened.

If, as Hutton says, his doctors cannot guarantee freedom from recurrence of lumbago, he has done wisely to arrive at a definite decision.

### EXACTING

Big cricket is very exacting and, at least, knowing the worst we know where we stand. Hutton passes the reins of England's leadership to Peter May, the Surrey amateur, who was "caretaker" captain in all five Tests against South Africa last season, when Hutton was ill.

To many Hutton symbolised all the native doggedness, determination, and determination of Yorkshire. To those who relished the cavalier approach of an A. P. F. Chapman he was not their ideal, but there was no denying he was extremely successful.

In fact he not only recovered the "Ashes" after 20 years of Australian dominance; he held them in Australia last winter; but drew the series against the powerful West Indians after being badly beaten in the first two Tests.

In fact Hutton never lost a series and he will enter cricket history as one of England's most successful skippers.

There should have been much more cricket left in Hutton. I cannot help feeling he was the victim of much prejudice and unfair criticism. On top of the heavy responsibility of leading the side he virtually carried the batting for series after series.

Still his critics were not satisfied. They charged him with the failure of other batsmen. Hutton, they would, would not allow them to play their natural games. He killed their stroke play and initiative.

### SAME BATSMEN

Yet the same batsmen failed in precisely the same way under other skippers.

I am quite certain that though he would seldom speak about it, Len felt keenly the pang of the rumour and the heavy veiled hostility he found in some quarters.

All hastened the deterioration of his health. What was behind this? Perhaps a trace of the Southern contempt for Northern cricket; a legacy of the days when a paid captain was unthinkable; and a little of the inevitable jealousy for the successful man. And of course Len is soaked in the theories and traditions of Yorkshire cricket, and once a leading player, said to me he did not "bubble" as a captain.

It was a fitting description. Hutton nevertheless had many unexpected qualities. He developed into an excellent after-dinner speaker, showing a rare sense of humour.

Some say Hutton had fixations and too many hard and

## Attractive Offer To Dai Dower For Title Fight

Johannesburg, Jan. 23.

Mr. Cyril Baynes, Secretary of the Transvaal National Sporting Club, said today that his club had made "an attractive offer" to Dai Dower (Wales) to defend his British Empire Flyweight boxing title here against the new South African Champion, Dennis Adams.

Mr. Baynes said that although negotiations were proceeding for Pascual Perez (Argentina) to defend his World title against Dower in Britain, the fight was not yet definite and his club hoped to get in first with its offer.

The date had been left open to suit Dower and his manager. Adams won the South African title in only his fourth professional fight last Friday when he outpointed the holder, Gerry Jooste. — China Mail Special.

## Rare Appearance By Sir Donald Bradman At The Oval

Adelaide, Jan. 23.

Sir Donald Bradman today made one of his rare appearances as a batsman since he retired from cricket, eight years ago.

He batted for 25 minutes at the nets at the Oval ground here, where South Australian cricketers were coaching juniors.

Bradman showed the hundred onlookers that he is still a master batsman, but he had to cut short his practice. Bradman because his right hand began to hurt. — China Mail Special.

## MONTE CARLO RALLY

Monte Carlo, Jan. 23

British cars swept the field in the last competition of the 1956 Monte Carlo rally when they took five of the six prizes in the safety and comfort events today.

A standard vanguard driven by Maurice Gaisnades, of Holland, won the British Royal Automobile Club Challenge Trophy for the car with the best safety and comfort devices taking into account its position in the general classification as well as first prize in the safety category.

The vanguard was fitted with safety straps for driver and passenger, special snow matting to prevent the car from skidding, a folding passenger seat, a special Swedish device for keeping the correct average speed and a cine-camera mounted inside the wind screens.

Mike Cooper, St. Alban's garage owner, won first prize in the comfort category for the second year running.

He has won five first prizes for comfort or safety in this rally since the war.

His beige Austin with green upholstery was fitted with many gadgets, including wipers on the headlamps, special torches to fit on the driver's forehead, leaving his hands free to do repair work, self-heating tins of soup and boxes containing sand, above each wheel, to drop in the road to prevent skidding.

Second prize in the comfort category went to Frederick Vivian (Britain), in his green MG. It was fitted with hot and cold water tanks, an aluminium wash basin, chemical hot water bottles, electric razor and kettle, and two radios, one short wave, the other for medium and long wave. — Reuter.

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## Dane Wins 11th Stage In Tour Of Egypt

Ismaïlia, Jan. 23.

Danicki's Revig Bent won the 11th stage of the Tour of Egypt today when he covered the 145 kilometres in 4 hours 31 minutes 1 second from Tanta to Ismaïlia today.

Thirty other riders all finished in a large pack with the same time as Bent, the winner. Poland's Adam Winiarski was second and East Germany's Werner Mielke third. — France Press.

## Colony Boxing Championships

Results of preliminary bouts of the Colony Boxing Championships at Southern Playground, Wanchai, yesterday were:

Moss (RN) bt. Illingworth (RN) on points.  
Abdul Wahid (RN) bt. Pie Tilson (Army) on a KO.  
Leggerton (Army) bt. Wanu (RN) on a KO.

Pharks (Army) bt. Dawson (RAF) on points.  
Gruen (Army) bt. Mak Hui-Yuen (unattached) on points.  
Riley (Army) bt. Gilder (Army) on points.

Bowering (Army) bt. O'Connor (RN) on points.  
Smith (RN) bt. Banford (Army) on points.  
Williams (Army) bt. Hodge (Army) on points.

Tomlinson (Army) bt. Jones (Army) on a KO.  
Edwards (RN) bt. Carrington (Army) on points.  
Smyth (Army) bt. Arrigan (RAF) on points.

Nevin (RAF) bt. McCormack (RAF) on a disqualification.  
Childs (RN) bt. Stenson (RN) on points.  
Hardman (Army) bt. Fenwick (Army) on points.

### TONIGHT'S CARD

Cpl Flynn (Army) vs. S.A.P. Richards (Army).  
SAC Said (RAF) vs. AB Dunford (RN).  
LAC Hughes (RAF) vs. Cpl Hardman (Army).  
L/B Melver (Army) vs. LAC Duff (RAF).

Lightweight  
Gnr. Hills (Army) vs. EM Moro (RN).  
L/C Jones (Army) vs. SAC Anderson-Dixon (RAF).  
LAC Gordon (RAF) vs. AB Isaacs (RN).

Bdr. Dwyer (Army) vs. L/C Meigh (Army).  
Welter  
AB Abdul-Wahid (RN) vs. FS Mamm (RAF).  
Ctn. Leggerton (Army) vs. Bdr. Parks (Army).

Bdr. Grant (Army) vs. AB Haynes (RN).  
Welterweight  
Cpl. Roberts (RAF) vs. Tpr Bowering (Army).  
Cpl. Turner (RAF) vs. AB Smith (RN).

Light Middle  
L/C Northridge (Army) vs. LAC Scott (RAF).  
AB Phillips (RN) vs. SAC Burr (RAF).  
L/C Brown (Army) vs. LAC Glasgow (RAF).

Heavyweight  
Speedy Morris (unatt.) vs. Tpr Smyth (Army).  
Cpl. Holland (Army) vs. SAC Nevin (RAF).

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## THE GAMBOLS



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The broadcast stated that "round objects" radiating a red light flew from northwest and southeast and were observed by a number of inhabitants in Ghamsi and Gärdez—France-Compte.

AS STEPHAN WAITS HIDDEN IN THE TANKER PLANE WITH HIS DEADLY CAMERA DEVICE...

JOHNNY'S PLANE, CARRYING... FIGHTING AN ENDURANCE... DEATH!

...NOTHER HALF-HOUR, MINE... STILL PLANS TO CRASH THE TANKER... COMBUSTION WITH USA NEW... WE'RE GOING TO WIN THE...

...A BOMB... PLANE...



But it is on the naval force that Australia pins her main hope of beating the submarine if hostilities should ever break out again: and the new destroyers which came to Australia on loan and which after the war were regarded as somewhat obsolete, have an important part to play in Australia's plans for keeping the sea lanes open. China Mail Special.

On its nose are 157 bomb  
counties painted by the  
ground crews, one for each  
side, and the emblems of Dis-  
tinguished Service Order and  
the Distinguished Flying  
Cross won by aircrew who

Below is interlarded with  
 the following: "We  
 will be over soon."



## TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

## New Rubber Futures Contract Trading

New York, Jan. 23. Trading in a new rubber futures contract commenced today on Commodity Exchange Inc.

Known as the "standard contract", the new unit will be similar to the present (old) "No. 1" contract, but it will be delivered at a penalty.

If a seller on the standard contract tenders No. 1 rubber sheets at any time between 1/10 and 1/2 of a grade of quality, a penalty of one cent a pound will be assessed.

Both contracts will be traded simultaneously, but the new contract will gradually replace the old one when the December 1956 delivery expires.

The unit of fluctuation will be the same, cents and hundredths of a cent a pound with 10 lbs. the deliverable weight in each case.

Also, the new contract will allow delivery of slightly smaller bales up to 10 per cent of the standard provided the wrapper is not defective. A unit containing up to 10 per cent of such smaller bales is subject to a discount allowance of 1 cent on the entire contract unit.

Minimum weight of packages deliverable under the new contract is 140 pounds, with customary 10% allowance for shrinkage. The weight of all packages in a unit must be within 1% of the customary tolerance units.

The (old) contract may also be closed with sales of 119 contracts, with no comparison of prices possible.

Prices were influenced mainly by the action at London and the continued flow of factory demand in the spot market. Shipping offerings were reported moderate with prices mostly above a workable basis. Futures:

Old No. 1 Res. 40.20  
March 39.40  
May 39.60  
July 39.80  
September 39.90  
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SINGAPORE  
The market opened easier and caused further local liquidation. It reacted during the afternoon due to some acceptance from Australia and after rallying 1 1/2 cents, the gain came off slightly towards the close. Futures:

No. 1 rubber per lb. Feb. 100 1/2-100 3/4  
March 100 1/2-100 3/4  
April 100 1/2-100 3/4  
May 100 1/2-100 3/4  
June 100 1/2-100 3/4  
July 100 1/2-100 3/4  
August 100 1/2-100 3/4  
September 100 1/2-100 3/4  
October 100 1/2-100 3/4  
November 100 1/2-100 3/4  
December 100 1/2-100 3/4

LONDON  
The market was quiet with spot quoted at 31 1/2 pence per lb. Prices:

No. 1 Res. spot 31 1/2-32  
Settlement house term 31 1/2-32  
Feb. 31 1/2-32  
Mar. 31 1/2-32  
Apr. 31 1/2-32  
May 31 1/2-32  
June 31 1/2-32  
July 31 1/2-32  
Aug. 31 1/2-32  
Sept. 31 1/2-32  
Oct. 31 1/2-32  
Nov. 31 1/2-32  
Dec. 31 1/2-32

AMSTERDAM  
The market was weak. Prices closed today in guilders per kilogram, cif Feb. as follows:

No. 1 rubber 3.10 nom.  
No. 2 rubber 3.00 nom.  
No. 3 rubber 2.90 nom.  
No. 1 crepe 3.45 nom.

## Root Cause Of Inflation

## WORLD COTTON MARKETS

New York, Jan. 23. Cotton futures today moved irregularly in quiet dealings as traders marked time pending developments on farm legislation.

Activity slackened generally for any reason in two weeks. At the close the list ruled off 12 to up 8 points. Opening prices were off 3 to 19 points. New Orleans closed off 3 to up 6 points.

New crop deliveries showed relative steadiness as sellers practiced caution pending a clearer view of how the farm legislation is apt to shape up.

Nearby deliveries were on the defensive most of the day. Moderate hedge selling and speculation found trade buyers less aggressive following the recent buying spurt from that date.

However, Atlanta trade reports indicated a good demand for cotton from mill in the last week with most of the interest in spring and early summer shipment. Some interest was shown in new crop cotton 1 1/2 grades were in large supply and offered at cheap prices.

Memphis also noted an improved mill interest late in the week with sales made for spring and early autumn shipment. Los Angeles reported a limited population work for the new crop, turning particularly in the cotton half of the San Joaquin valley.

The centralized stock declined 659 bales since the last posting with the new total at 15,721 bales. Volume and open interest were:

Month	Volume	Open Interest
March	12,700	100,000
May	37,500	300,300
July	10,700	207,000
Sept.	9,000	177,000
Nov.	5,000	175,000
Dec.	2,000	57,000
Jan.	2,000	25,000
Feb.	500	3,200
Total	98,900	1,577,000 bales

NEW YORK  
Prices of futures closed today as follows:

Spot	March	May	July	Sept.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
Spot	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00
March	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00
May	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00
July	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00
Sept.	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00
Nov.	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00
Dec.	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00
Jan.	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00
Feb.	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00

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July	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00
Sept.	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00
Nov.	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00
Dec.	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00
Jan.	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00
Feb.	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00

LIVERPOOL  
Closings, in pence per lb. were as follows:

Old contract	Mar. Apr.	May June	July Aug.	Sept. Oct.	Nov. Dec.	Jan. Feb.
Old contract	22.20	22.20	22.20	22.20	22.20	22.20
Mar. Apr.	22.20	22.20	22.20	22.20	22.20	22.20
May June	22.20	22.20	22.20	22.20	22.20	22.20
July Aug.	22.20	22.20	22.20	22.20	22.20	22.20
Sept. Oct.	22.20	22.20	22.20	22.20	22.20	22.20
Nov. Dec.	22.20	22.20	22.20	22.20	22.20	22.20
Jan. Feb.	22.20	22.20	22.20	22.20	22.20	22.20

SAO PAULO  
Futures closings, in cruzeiros per kilo were as follows:

March	July	Oct.	Dec.
March	27.70	27.70	27.70
July	27.70	27.70	27.70
Oct.	27.70	27.70	27.70
Dec.	27.70	27.70	27.70

In the US the average price of 15/16 middling cotton at 14 designated spot markets was 34.10 cents. Sales totalled 122,177 bales.—United Press.

## TOO MANY JOBS SAYS BRITISH BANK CHAIRMAN

From Our Economic Correspondent

One of Britain's leading bankers gave a solemn warning last week that there can be no remedy for inflation so long as there are more jobs than workers.

Mr. A. W. Tukey, Chairman of Barclays' Bank, was not as some of his critics seemed to suppose advocating unemployment. But it was essential, he said, that some way should be found to equate the number of vacancies notified at labour exchanges with number of registered unemployed.

He believed that over-full employment is the root cause of inflation and that it is bad for everyone concerned.

It was bad for employees when it was too easy for them to change jobs, he said, and it was bad for employers when there was not enough incentive to keep costs down when their order books were too long and they could sell on the home market all that they could produce at almost any price.

When this state of affairs is ended and healthy competition is restored, said Mr. Tukey, we shall probably not hear so much of identical tenders and other alleged abuse of commercial monopolies.

He admitted, however, that the difficulty was to find a point at which full employment became over-full employment. He rejected as "hardly acceptable" economists' definition of full employment as a situation in which three per cent of the working population were out of a job. But the present situation, he said, must certainly be described as over-full employment and is inevitably inflationary.

What is the present situation that causes Mr. Tukey and many others so much concern? It was described last week by the Treasury in its Bulletin for Industry.

According to the bulletin, unemployment reached its lowest postwar point in 1955 when vacancies waiting to be filled outnumbered workers temporarily out of a job by two to one.

But this is a national average and it gives a distorted impression of what is happening in various parts of the country. The labour shortage is most keenly felt in those areas where engineering is the main industry. In the Midlands, for example, there are about five unfilled vacancies for every job seeker and in London area there are four.

In all manufacturing industries combined the number of vacancies continues to rise. Despite the increase of 217,000 employed in these industries the number of unfilled jobs in October was 183,000—a fifteen per cent rise over a year earlier.

There is reason to suppose, however, that the labour shortage in manufacturing industries is even more acute than these treasury figures indicate.

Mr. Tukey believes it is. It was probable, he said, that in present conditions many more vacant jobs would be recorded at labour exchanges if there were any chance of applicants being available for them there.

What is being done to correct this situation? Government has put much emphasis on its disinflationary policy on the credit "squeeze" but Mr. Tukey and his fellow bankers have little faith in its efficacy.

Mr. Tukey believes no remedy will be found for present inflation while there is over-full employment "however much the advance of the banks may fall under the pressure of the credit squeeze because other influences will have continued to pull more strongly in the contrary direction."

One of the difficulties of finding an answer to this problem is that discussion of it, even on academic level, always

## HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$200,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

SHARES	BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES
HSBC	1748		
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## Socony Increasing Capital

New York, Jan. 23. The Socony Mobil Oil Company's directors have voted to recommend to shareholders at the annual meeting on April 20 an increase in authorized capital stock to 75,000,000 shares of \$15 par from the present figure of 40,000,000 shares of \$15 par.

Conditional on shareholder approval of the proposed increase, the directors plan to declare a 25 per cent stock dividend payable late in June. Such a dividend would require about 9,000,000 shares. The balance of the unused shares would be reserved for future corporate purposes.

Mr. B. Brewster Jennings, Socony Chairman, said the stock dividend was intended "to give shareholders additional tangible evidence of the company's growth as a result of reinvested earnings."—China Mail Special.

## Singapore Stock Market

Singapore, Jan. 24.

Brokers today quoted the following stock prices:

Opening	Closing
HSBC	1748
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